

## MLA Style Documentation, Supplement

### Make sure you have all the required sources:

- 2 peer-reviewed journal articles
- 2 popular magazine articles
- 3 websites (at least one .edu and one .gov. No .com sites)
- 1 book

### Use MLA, 7<sup>th</sup> ed. to cite your sources: There are 2 parts to your reference work.

- 1) Parenthetical citations/in-text citations
- 2) References or Works Cited page

### General Rules:

**Rule #1:** Every parenthetical citation must correspond to an entry in your works cited page.

**Rule #2:** Every time you use one of the following, you must provide parenthetical references:

- Quotes
- Paraphrases
- Summaries

**Rules #3:** these rules apply to the format of your Works Cited page.

- Double space within and between all entries
- Alphabetize entries
- Do not number the entries
- Begin each entry on the left margin. Indent the subsequent lines of each entry

### MLA 7<sup>th</sup> ed. Change Highlights:

- Use the designations of **Web** or **Print** on each entry. These designators refer only to the medium of the resources. When you use **Web** in your citation, it does not necessarily mean it's a website. It means it is not in print format at the time of accessing the source! **Web** can be used for any of the following:
  - e-journals found in databases
  - online journals on the web
  - scholarly articles available on the web
  - ebooks available via the web
  - websites
- Do not underline titles. Titles must be **italicized**: book/encyclopedia titles; magazine/journal titles, website titles, database titles ...
- It is not required to include URLs for Web resources (include URL, only if your instructor requires it. Insert them after the date of access in brackets <URL>.
- Do not use name and location of your library's databases.
- Use **n.d.**, when you can't find a date.
- Use **N.p.**, when you can't find a publisher/sponsor.
- Use **n.pag.** when no page is given.